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REMARKSStatus Summary

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated February 1, 2006, claims 34, 44-47, 87-89, and 94 have been indicated herein as withdrawn. These claims were not previously indicated as withdrawn because, as indicated in Applicants' Amendment dated November 30, 2005, the Species Election requirement as interpreted in the Official Action dated May 31, 2005 is unclear. Applicants' requests for clarification presented in Applicants' Amendment dated November 30, 2005 are reiterated.

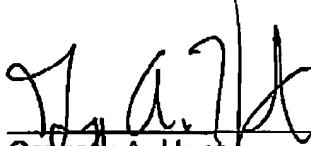
CONCLUSION

If any small matter should remain outstanding after the Patent Examiner has had an opportunity to review the above Remarks, the Patent Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned patent attorney in order to resolve these matters and avoid the issuance of another Official Action.

Although no fee is believed to be due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with the filing of this correspondence to Deposit Account No. 50-0426.

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